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SUBJECT: PREPARATIONS FOR ALL WEATHER OPERATIONS DIVISION MEETING,

APRIL 1978

- 1. AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVE HAS FAVORED US WITH COPY OF HIS MEMORANDUM TO FILE: QUOTE: MLS: PREPARATIONS FOR ALL WEATHER OPERATIONS DIVISION MEETING, APRIL 1978.
- 2. DISCUSSED THE AUSTRALIAN EXPLANATORY VISITS TO INDONESIA, SINGAPORE, MALAYSIA, THAILAND AND POSSIBLY CHINA, AS WELL AS PAPUA NEW GUINEA AND NEW ZEALAND WITH MR. JIM HARPER, WHO IS EXPECTED TO LEAD THAT DUO WITH MR. GEOFF BOYD ON THE TECHNICAL SIDE.
- 3. OUTLINED THE US EXPERIENCE IN BANGKOK WHERE THEY HAD BEEN PRECEDED BY A VERY GOOD FILM SUPPORTED PRESENTATION OF DOPPLER MLS BY UK.
- 4. SUGGESTED THAT ON ARRIVAL AT EACH LOCATION OUR PEOPLE SHOULD SPEND AT LEAST SOME TIME WITH THE US EMBASSY HAVING SET IT UP THROUGH THE AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY PREPARATORY TO MEETING THE LOCAL UNCLASSIFIED

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CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES.

5. FURTHER SUGGESTED THAT THOUGH SHOULD BE GIVEN TO BRIEFING A MUCH WIDER RANGE OF CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES THROUGH THE LOCAL AUSTRALIAN EMBASSIES. HOWEVER, CARE WOULD HAVE TO BE TAKEN NOT TO BOMBARD THE LOCALS TO THE POINT OF THEIR GETTING SICK OF THE SUBJECT.

6. EVEN SO, IT SEEMS THAT THE UK IS PUTTING A LOT OF ENERGY INTO THE PRE-AWO/78 EFFORTS AND THIS CAN ONLY BE BENEFICIAL TO DOPPLER.

7. IT IS ACCEPTED, OF COURSE, THAT WHATEVER IS DONE WILL BE CLOSELY COORDINATED WITH US FAA AND STATE DEPARTMENT INTERESTS. MR. JOHN ROWLAND, FAS/IPD, IS BEING KEPT INFORMED.

8. I ALSO TOLD MR. HARPER THAT A STOP PRESS ON FRIDAY HAD THE CONGRESSIONAL AVIATION SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING ALTERED FROM 30-31 JANUARY TO 31 JANUARY/1 FEBRUARY. RWGROSS UNQUOTE. HARPER

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